

Coaley Church of England Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

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I hope you all have had a good week and the mixed-bag of weather hasn't proved too challenging. The sun has definitely been sunny and the rain has been very wet! Despite this, the children have still managed to get out onto the field at lunchtimes and playtimes which has been a real bonus at this time of year.

This week we've been focusing on courage and showing that you can stand up and make good choices. Mrs Lowe talked about the story of David & Goliath in her Monday afternoon Worship and how we sometimes need to be brave, especially when other children are not doing the right thing. Children at Coaley are really good at making good choices and I see plenty of those every day. I saw some amazing examples of children making good choices this week with their attitudes to learning in maths. Children were working hard and helping others, getting on with their work and not being distracted. Mrs Helen Springett, the Deputy CEO of DGAT, came around with me to see maths teaching on Monday morning and she was really pleased with how well the children are being challenged and the quality of maths teaching and amazing work in the children's books. It's just another sign that the school continues to move forwards and go from strength to strength.

On another note: the School Council are off visiting other schools next week as part of their work to transform our school library. We are going to start buying books and library furniture soon but we are definitely on the lookout for any creative/building type of people (basically a carpenter) who can help us construct a library that we'd all like to use. Any offers of physical help or design ideas with making a roof-type structure would be gratefully received to make our library a wonderful place to read and enjoy books.

Richard Lucas **Executive Headteacher**

Harvest Festival



Cross Country

Congratulations this week goes to our amazing cross country runners. The best thing about cross country is the mud and the start of this year's races did not disappoint. Mrs Smith and Mrs Squire were up early last Saturday along with Oscar, Scarlet and Erika who never stopped smiling. They joined in a warm up with Slimbridge School creating a real inclusive feeling at the event. We are so proud of the children and the way they performed. They gave it their absolute best and we can't wait for the next one on 9th November 2019.

Oscar 41st, Erika 45th and scarlet 69th. WOW!

Would you like to be the next Eliud Kipchoge or Bridgid Kosgei? Then rest assured it's not too late. Speak to Mrs Smith or Mrs Squire and come and run for your school at the next race.



Flu Immunisations

Another successful round of flu immunisations were given this week. The children were really brave and did us proud. Let's now hope for good health for the rest of the year and 100% attendance.

School Photos

It was lovely to see so many children and their siblings having their photos taken this morning. Their smiling faces really made for a lovely start to the school day. The school gets a 30% commission when the photos are ordered online so we would encourage you to do this please. You will receive the copies on Monday and then have two weeks to get those orders in. Enjoy!

Please note, PE days:

Tuesday – Owls Forest School (arrive in PE kit – wellies/joggers in a named bag) Tuesday – Owls PE (arrive in PE kit – wellies/joggers in a named bag) Thursday – Robins (arrive in PE kit)

Please return your Data Collection sheets – It is essential that you sign and return the form even if all the details are correct.

Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Tess

Owls: Aiden, Molly, Lucas

Attendance:

Robins - 97.2 %

Owls – 94.9%

Courage:

Values Certificates:

Robins: Leo Owls: Scarlett

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Steph for amazing perseverance this week writing her name.

Owls: Declan for working so hard this week. You have persevered with your writing and you are now writing so much more. Well done!

CLUBS: BEGINNING 16th SEPTEMBER FOR 6 WEEKS

Monday: Book Club (All) 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Tuesday: Forest School 3:15pm -4:30pm - Cross Country (Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6) 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Wednesday:

Thursday: Sports Club (Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6) 3:15pm - 4:00pm **Friday:** Fun & Games Friday (YR,Y1,Y2) 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Dates for your Diary

Robins Phonics session – Monday 21st October – 3:20pm Harvest Festival (in Church) – Tuesday 22nd October – 9:30am Parents Evening – Tuesday 22nd October – 3:30pm – 5:30pm Parents Evening – Wednesday 23rd October – 5:00pm – 7:30pm Celebration Worship – Friday 25th October – 2:45pm Drop in session – Friday 29th November – 2:30pm

FOCS Dates

Coaley Fireworks - Sunday 3rd November 2019 - 5:30pm Christmas Fayre - Friday 6th December 2019 Coaleyfest - Saturday 20th June 2020

Please note - Dates and times are subject to change, we will update you as soon as possible.

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We Respect

We Belong